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Basic Bridging Compliance

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Objective

Summarize functional delta between basic bridging compliance and enhanced bridging compliance proposals Summarize technical 802.17 MAC impact resulting from basic bridging compliance and enhanced bridging compliance proposals

Hi-lite basic bridging compliance solution impact to 802.17 MAC



Terminology

Remote Address

- An address that is not found on the ring (i.e., an address that is not found within the RPR station topology image)
- A global address

Local Address

- An address that can be found on the ring (i.e., an address that is found within the RPR station topology image)
- A local address of the ring

Flood

A transmission mechanism that ensures all RPR stations see a transmitted packet once, without duplication



Basic/Enhanced (802.1D/Q) Bridge Functionality

	Basic Transparent Bridging	Enhanced Transparent Bridging
802.1D/Q compliance	~	7
Local ring traffic spatial reuse	7	7
Transparent bridging traffic spatial reuse	×	7
Other traffic spatial reuse (e.g., multicast handling)	×	7

Basic/Enhanced (802.1D/Q)



Bridge Impact on MAC

Basic Bridging Proposal Minimal Requirements	Enhanced Bridging Proposal Minimal Requirements
1. Flooding indication	1. Supports basic bridging minimal requirements
support in frame	2. Spatial Reuse Control Sublayer (SRCS) functionality which
structure	include SRCS mapping table
2. MAC supports	3. Need to address TCN (Topology Control Notification)
flooding technique(s)	message handling
	Introduction of new RPR TCN control message, orMAC needs to be aware of MAC client BPDUs
	4. SRCS interactions with MAC clients
	5. Station identifiers in frame format
	- RPR required to support station identifier distribution and
	uniqueness protocol
	6. MAC stripping rules include station identifier recognition

Basic Bridging Requirements



on 802.17 MAC

1. RPR bridges do not operate in promiscuous mode

- 2. Flooding indication supported by 802.17 frame
- 3. MAC flood all packets provided by 802.1D/Q bridge relay client
- 4. MAC will flood all packets with network destination addresses
- 5. MAC will replicate/copy packets when flooding indication is set in received packet



Bridges not Operating in Promiscuous Mode

No impact to MAC

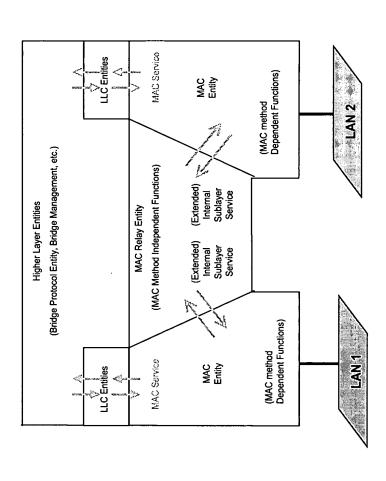
No impact to MAC reception rules

No impact on MAC transmission rules



MAC Supporting Bridge Client Floods All Packets

ISS/E-ISS upon reception of REQUEST primitive will set flooding indication in frame structure



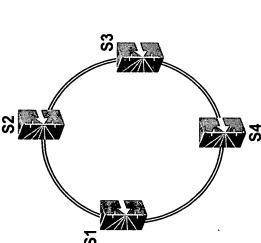


MAC Floods All Packets with

Remote Destination Address

If destination address, found in client REQUEST primitive, is a remote address

- Set flooding indication in frame structure
- Network address identified if not found in topology image



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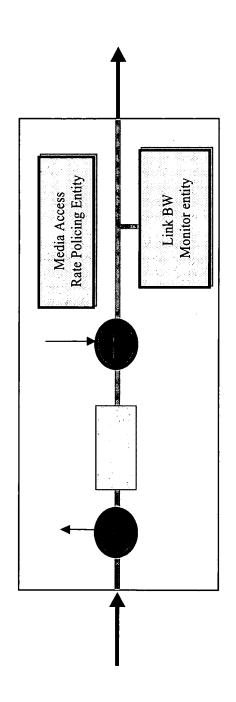


MAC Replicates Packets When Flooding Indication in Frame

Structure

Frame Replication

- Identical to MAC support of broadcast or multicast packet
- The frame is "Dropped" (I.e., passed to appropriate MAC client)
- The frame is forwarded downstream if MAC stripping rules don't strip (e.g., ITL permits, not destination address, etc.)





Recommendation/Conclusion

1. Basic bridging compliance proposal minimizes complexity to 802.17 MAC and risk to 802.17 standard 2. Basic bridging compliance proposal can satisfy 802.17 PAR